

# **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTS FOR REVIEW**

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## WEEKLY REPORT OF ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW

The purpose of the environmental review process is to provide information about the environmental effects of the actions and decisions made by the County, so that environmental considerations become a part of the decision making process. The following is a summary of the most recent determinations made by the County's Environmental Coordinator. The purpose of this listing is to notify the public of pending actions, which may affect the environment of San Luis Obispo County.

You are invited to participate in this process by reviewing and providing comments on the recommendations of the Environmental Coordinator. Your comments should be in writing and should be delivered to: **Ellen Carroll, Environmental Coordinator, Department of Planning and Building, 976 Osos Street, Room 300, San Luis Obispo, Ca 93408-2040**. For more information about the environmental review process, please write to the address above, call the Environmental Division of the Department of Planning and Building at (805) 781-5600, or review information on our website which is www.sloplanning.org.

# **Proposed Negative Declarations**

A Negative Declaration is issued for projects that would not result in significant effects on the environment. In many cases, the project applicant has added mitigation measures to the project to reduce environmental impacts in order to qualify for a Negative Declaration. If you disagree with the issuance of a proposed Negative Declaration, you may provide comments or file a Request for Review (appeal) of the Negative Declaration. Requests for Review must be filed within two weeks of the date that the proposed Negative Declaration is posted and must address only environmental issues. There is a fee for the request. If you would like more information about this process, please contact the Environmental Coordinator.

#### For Week of February 7, 2008

## Paso Robles Area

Feeley Parcel Map. Request by Tom Feeley for a parcel map (CO 07-0096) to subdivide an existing 16.1 acre parcel into 3 parcels of 5.2, 5.8, and 5.1 acres each for the purpose of sale and/or development. The project may include off-site road improvements to Caballo Place. The project will result in the disturbance of approximately 4 acres of a 16 acre parcel due to future development of the proposed parcels. The division will not create on-site roads. The proposed project is within the Residential Rural land use category and is located at 500 Caballo Place, approximately 700 feet east of Mira Loma Way, one-quarter mile west of the City of Paso Robles. The site is in the Salinas River planning area. ED07-047 (SUB2006-00241 CO07-0096)

## **Environmental Impact Reports**

An Environmental Impact Report (EIR) is a detailed analysis of the environmental effects of a project. The report is released in draft form, with an invitation to all interested persons and agencies to review the draft EIR and submit written comments. The Final EIR will contain all the information that was in the draft, plus the written comments, responses to the comments, and any changes in the document that need to be made to respond to the comments.

The Revised Draft Environmental Impact Report (RDEIR) for the County of San Luis Obispo Affordable Housing Ordinances – Notice of Availability of Revised Draft EIR (ED06-253, LRP2005-00010) is complete and available for public review and comment. The RDEIR provides for a revised analysis for the issue of Water Resources and the associated environmental impacts that may be associated with the request to implement the proposed Affordable Housing Ordinances for San Luis Obispo County.

The geographic boundary of the proposed Affordable Housing Ordinances would be defined as the entire unincorporated portion of San Luis Obispo County. However, the RDEIR is focused on the updated water availability and use data as it relates to those Water Planning Areas (WPAs) that currently operate at a Level of Service (LOS) III and would experience significant increase in population as a result of the proposed Affordable Housing Ordinances.

The original Draft EIR addresses the environmental impacts of the proposed project, including, but not limited to, biological resources, cultural resources, agriculture and air quality. In addition, the original Draft EIR also considered four alternatives in addition to the "No Project" alternative. The RDEIR was prepared to specifically address the updated water availability data for areas identified as being at a Level of Severity III for water resources and would experience significant population increases under the proposed ordinance package and responds to the principles described in *Vineyard Citizens for Responsible Growth, Inc. v. City of Rancho Cordova* (2007).

CEQA Guidelines Section 15087(c)(6) requires this notice to specify whether the project will involve activities on any state or federal listed hazardous materials sites, such as the locations of underground storage tanks, gas stations, and other chemical storage facilities. To the extent that the project boundary is defined as the entire unincorporated county, the project boundary may include listed hazardous materials sites. The original Draft EIR addresses this issue.

Copies of the RDEIR are available at the County Department of Planning and Building, Room 200 (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor), in the County Government Center (Old Courthouse) at the corner of Osos and Palm, and the City/County Library on Palm Street in San Luis Obispo. Documents referenced in the report are generally available at County Planning; certain copyright-protected and out of print materials may be obtained from the consultant's offices through a request to the County. Documents are also available online at:

http://www.slocounty.ca.gov/planning/environmental/envnot/Environmental\_Impact\_Reports\_2007.htm

Any questions regarding the Revised Draft EIR should be sent to Jeff Oliveira, Environmental Resource Specialist, 805-781-4167, joliveira@co.slo.ca.us

The public review period ends on March 24, 2008. All interested parties who wish to comment are encouraged to do so. Please submit a written statement by 5:00 p.m., March 24, 2008, to:

Jeff Oliveira, Environmental Division County Planning & Building Dept. County Government Center, Rm. 200 San Luis Obispo, CA 93408-2040

If you need more information regarding the Affordable Housing Ordinance, please contact Dana Lilley at 805-781-4571.